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ABSTRACT

Some 47,000 sound recordings dating from the turn of the century have been collected in the National Archives. These recordings, consisting of recordings of press conferences, panel discussions, interviews, speeches, court and conference proceedings, entertainment programs, and news broadcasts, are listed in this paper by government agency. The recordings available concerning each agency are described, with information about number of items and dates. An index to persons whose voices are known to be recorded in the holdings and an index to program series are appended. (Author/SH)

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INTRODUCTION

The National Archives started collecting sound recordings soon after its establishment in 1934. There are now some 47,000 recordings dating from the turn of the century to the present consisting of recordings of press conferences, panel discussions, interviews, speeches, court and conference proceedings, entertainment programs, and news broadcasts in the holdings of the Audiovisual Archives Division. Although many were received from private sources, most are from the records of about 65 Federal agencies.

An index to persons whose voices are known to be recorded in the holdings, whether or not they are mentioned in the text of this paper, is in appendix I, and a similar index to program series is in appendix II. Index entries refer to the record group number which is located to the right of the record group title line.

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Records of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine. RG 7

1939. 1 item.

A recording of greetings telephoned by Dr. Leland O. Howard from Washington, D.C., to the 50th anniversary meeting of the American Association of Economic Entomologists at Columbus, Ohio, December 27, 1939.

Records of the Office of Education. RG 12

1912-65. 172 items.

Selected radio broadcasts produced by the Office of Education from 1934 to 1953 including programs from the series "Brave New World," "Americans All-Immigrants All," and "Democracy in Action." Programs of educational significance, 1937-49, focusing on the role of education in wartime and including broadcasts concerning the "Voice of Democracy" contests, the "High School Victory Corps," and the Norman Corwin production "We Hold These Truths" aired December 15, 1941. Recordings of the proceedings of the "Midcentury White House Conference on Children and Youth," and the "White House Conference on Education," 1955 and 1965. Broadcasts of speeches and discussions by Commissioners of Education, 1938-64, on such programs as "America's Town Meeting of the Air." Recordings of events of historical significance, 1912-51, including several speeches by Theodore Roosevelt and a special tabloid broadcast of the coronation of King George VI.

Records of the Army Air Forces. RG 18

1945. 91 items.

Recordings of radio programs in "The Fighting AAF" and "Your AAF" series which include actual air combat accounts obtained by radio reporters in all theaters of action, and eyewitness accounts of combat. A recording of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's speech at Orly Field, Paris, France, on June 18, 1945.

Records of the Bureau of Naval Personnel. RG 24

1945. 1 item.

A dramatization of the role of sailors in World War II.

Records of the United States Coast Guard. RG 26

1937-39. 10 items.

Recordings of radio broadcasts concerning the administration of the Coast Guard and its role in the training of merchant seamen; about the history, traditions, and activities of the Coast Guard; of graduation exercises at the Academy in New London, Conn.; and of ceremonies presenting the "William S. Paley amateur radio award" to ham radio operators for keeping communications open in disaster areas. A description of the national doubles tennis matches, 1938.

Records of the Bureau of the Census. RG 29

1940. 5 items.

Recordings of a radio series entitled "Uncle Sam Calling-Story of the 1940 Census."

Records of the Federal Housing Administration. RG 31

ca. 1934. 18 items.

Recordings of radio programs aimed at financial institutions, community betterment groups, property owners, contractors and building material dealers, and other businesses explaining the benefits of Government-insured loans under title 1 of the National Housing Act of 1934.

Records of the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations. RG 38

1942-45. 47 items.

A miscellaneous collection of recordings of radio broadcasts from "The Army Hour" and the "Meet Your Navy" series concerning all aspects of the war, mainly in the Pacific theater, including eyewitness accounts by Armed Forces Radio Service war correspondents and members of the fighting forces of battles, bombing raids, air operations from aboard a carrier, Marine operations in jungles, the bombardment of Japan from aboard a battleship, and the funeral of Ernie Pyle on Io Shima. Recordings of radio-telephone conversations between personnel in tanks as they advance in battle; of interviews with crewmen aboard a submarine; and of greetings from servicemen to their families back home.

Recordings concerning production for the war effort, the role of women in the shipbuilding industry, and war bond promotion.

Recordings of a report to Congress on the progress of the war in Europe by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower. A recording of a V-E Day broadcast.

Records of the Office of Government Reports. RG 44

1939-40. 48 items.

Recordings of weekly broadcasts sponsored by the Office of Government Reports known as the "Cabinet Series," the "Agency Series," and the "National Defense Series," in which President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Cabinet members, and officials of departments and agencies of the Government explain Federal programs and ask for public support and cooperation.

Records of the United States Senate. RG 46

1946. 5 items.

Recordings of hearings on the investigation of the national defense program at the Philadelphia Signal Depot by the Senator James M. Mead Investigating Committee.

Records of the Social Security Administration. RG 47

1936-40. 6 items.

Recordings of lectures accompanying filmstrips explaining social security benefits and procedures for obtaining coverage.

Recordings of radio programs explaining unemployment benefits, and of programs recruiting warworkers.

Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior. RG 48

1936-52. 800 items.

A miscellaneous collection of recordings of speeches, discussions, interviews, news, ceremonies, and musical programs, many of them of broadcasts, made by the Department of the Interior or collected by it from other Government agencies and commercial sources relating to the overall functions of the Department; the activities of the Bureau of Biological Survey and the Fish and Wildlife Service concerning wildlife treaties and fish and wildlife conservation; the Bureau of Mines and its work in connection with rare minerals needed for the war effort and mining hazards and safety; the functions of the Bureau of Reclamation in flood control, the development of power, the reclamation of land through irrigation, and the land settlement programs; dedication ceremonies at several Bureau of Reclamation projects; dust bowl migration and reclamation of dust bowl land; the Division of Territories and Island Possessions and its work in Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico; the work of the General Land Office; the Geological Survey; an interview in 1941 with William Henry Jackson, pioneer photographer with the Survey; the national park system throughout the United States and in the Territories and island possessions; the Office of Indian Affairs concerning Indian arts and crafts, improvement of sheep, grazing problems, self government, and Indians in the armed services; the Petroleum Administration Board on conservation of petroleum products, new processes for extracting oil from shale, and the transportation of oil; and the Solid Fuels Administration for War concerning the coal strike and the Government takeover, on conservation of coal, and on development of synthetics from coal.

Recordings relating to Work Projects Administration disease control programs; Public Works Administration projects to combat the depression; the public housing program and prospects for postwar housing; the work of the Civilian Conservation Corps child labor and wages and hours legislation; the role of women workers in the war effort and the contributions of civilians, including Jews and immigrants; the Social Security system and its functions; the Department of Agriculture concerning food conservation and nutrition, farm credit cooperatives, soil conservation, grazing on public lands, conservation of forests and lumber and the development of the Rural Electrification Administration and what it means to the farmer; the Office of Price Administration; the War Resources Planning Board; the National Defense Advisory Commission; the Civil Service Commission; the Office of Civilian Defense; the Bureau of the Budget; the Treasury Department concerning

narcotics; the Public Health Service; the Federal Communications Commission; the State Department concerning the Pan American Union; the Veterans' Administration concerning land grants to veterans and education under the GI Bill; the Office of Alien Property; the Selective Service System; and wartime development of industry, aeronautics, scientific research, and atomic energy.

Miscellaneous recordings of the National Education Association; of the Franklin D. Roosevelt birthday celebration of 1945 and the dedication of Hyde Park, 1946; of a dramatization of the history of the United States from the Revolution to World War II; political campaign speeches of both sides in the 1940 presidential campaign; newscasts about all aspects and the progress of the war; the Allies and their contribution to the war; Adolf Hitler's Sudeten, 1938, and Danzig, 1939, speeches; President Roosevelt's "Day of Infamy" speech, December 8, 1941; discussions of the United Nations, United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, and United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Marion Anderson's and other musical programs including folk and religious music.

General Records of the Department of the Treasury. RG 56

1941-61. 238 items.

Recordings of radio broadcasts promoting the purchase of defense and Victory bonds and consisting of dramatic and musical programs featuring many prominent entertainers, from the "Treasury Star Parade," "Treasury Salute," "Bondwagon," and "Guest Star" series. Recordings of "Minute Man" speeches consisting of short appeals promoting war bonds by important Government leaders. News and discussion programs from the "American Forum of the Air," "News of the World," and several broadcasts from the "Army Hour" series including a program on which the last Morse code message from Corregidor as received in Hawaii on May 5, 1942, is re-enacted with a voice overlay reading a coded message.

Miscellaneous recordings and programs of historical interest including Prime Minister Churchill's address to Congress of May 19, 1943, and President Harry S. Truman's radio report on the Potsdam Conference, August 9, 1945; and many other recordings by world leaders, political figures, and prominent entertainers.

General Records of the Department of State. RG 59

1938-61. 14 items.

Recordings of addresses by Secretaries of State Cordell Hull (chiefly on the subject of reciprocal trade), John Foster Dulles, and Christian Herter. Recordings of the "Good Neighbor" series about Brazilian economic, cultural, and political history. A recording of a dramatization of the history of the world, 1918-39, entitled "And Then Came War," narrated by Elmer Davis.

General Records of the Department of Justice. RG 60

1941-44. 584 items.

Sound recordings of broadcasts made over facilities of the German Radio Broadcasting Corp. during World War II by Herbert J. Burgman, Douglas Chandler, Frederick W. Kaltenbach, and Robert Best. They were confiscated from the broadcasting studio in Berlin at the end of the war and introduced as evidence in treason trials of some of these individuals.

Records of the National Archives and Records Service. RG 64

1937-72. 158 items.

Recordings of speeches, interviews, and ceremonies relating to activities of the National Archives, including the opening of the Freedom Train Exhibit, 1949; the enshrinement of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution in the Exhibit Hall, 1952; Archivists of the United States Dr. Wayne C. Grover on the program "Report to the People," 1966, and Dr. James B. Rhoads on "Capital Assignment," 1968; at the 193d anniversary of the Declaration of Independence ceremonies at the Archives, 1969; and on WETA, Atlanta, Ga., 1970.

Recordings of the proceedings of the National Historical Publications Commission luncheon meeting, June 17, 1958.

Recordings of the proceedings of meetings of the National Archives Advisory Council, December 1968-May 1972 (May 1969 missing).

Recordings of the proceedings of National Archives Conferences on U.S. Polar Explorations, September 8, 1967; the National Archives and Statistical Research, May 27-28, 1968; Captured German and Related Records, November 12-13, 1968; United States Foreign Relations, June 16-17, 1969; the History of the Territories, November 3-4, 1969; the National Archives and Urban Research, June 18-19, 1970; Research in the Administration of Public Policy, November 19-20, 1970; Research in the Second World War, June 14-15, 1971; and the National Archives and Research in Historical Geography, November 8-9, 1971.

Recordings of opening remarks of the Archivist of the United States, the Administrator of General Services, and guest speakers at premiere showings of "Films at the Archives" festivals, 1970-71.

Miscellaneous recordings of Charles A. Lindbergh's reception in Washington, D.C., and of his address to the Press Club, 1927; of Adlai E. Stevenson's acceptance of the Democratic nomination for the presidential candidacy, 1952; of state of the Union messages by Presidents Dwight D. Eisenhower, 1960, and John F. Kennedy, 1961; concerning the flight into outer space of Comdr. Alan Shepard, 1961; of President Kennedy's address to the United Nations, 1961; and of sound effects of an atomic bomb explosion.

Records of the Work Projects Administration. RG 69

1936-42. 418 items.

Recordings of performances of folk singers, madrigal singers, a cappella choirs, Negro choruses, light and grand opera companies, symphony orchestras, concert bands, dance bands, and other groups of the Federal Music Project, many with intermission talks by prominent persons about the work of the WPA.

Recordings of radio programs broadcast by the Federal Theatre Project, including productions of "R.U.R.," "Bolero," "Hamlet," and "Murder in the Cathedral."

Speeches, interviews, and special programs on the subject of the WPA and its organization or functions, or as part of productions by or for the WPA.

Recordings of programs in the radio series "Their Greatest Stories," "History in Action," "Epic of America," "Pioneers of Science," and "Portraits in Oil."

Recordings of several programs in the series "Friends and Neighbors" sponsored by the Democratic National Committee in support of New Deal programs; and special programs on national defense during 1941.

Records of the National Park Service. RG 79

1932-51. 17 items.

Recordings of the memorial service in honor of Stephen T. Mather, first Director of the National Park Service at the Bohemian Club, San Francisco, 1932; the dedication of Mammoth Cave National Park, 1947; and the dedication of the equestrian statues at the north end of Arlington Memorial Bridge, Washington, D.C., 1951. A recording of a speech by Newton B. Drury explaining the functions of the Park Service to the Commonwealth Club of California, 1946.

Records of the Federal Reserve System. RG 82

1937. 1 item.

A recording of the address made by President Franklin D. Roosevelt at the dedication of the Federal Reserve Building.

Records of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. RG 83

1939-44. 11 items.

Lectures on general agricultural subjects, the history of agriculture in the United States, and special war-related phases of agriculture, recorded in English and Spanish for use with filmstrips.

Records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. RG 85

1940-45. 61 items.

Recordings of radio broadcasts concerning the obligations of aliens under the Alien Registration Act of 1940, of the "You and Your Citizenship" series designed to improve understanding of the alien and his problems, and of the "Heirs of Liberty" series intended to instruct aliens in U.S. citizenship laws and the benefits of citizenship.

Recordings of dramas about the Immigration Border Patrol.

Records of the Public Health Service. RG 90

1942 and 1967. 77 items.

Recordings of the proceedings of the White House Conference on Health, November 3 and 4, 1965, and of a radio broadcast about National Negro Health Week, 1942.

Records of the Adjutant General's Office, 1780's-1917. RG 94

1896. 1 item.

A recording entitled "U.S. Army and Navy Calls, Cavalry and Artillery," consisting of the oral commands and the appropriate bugle call for each.

Records of the Farmers Home Administration. RG 96

1934 and 1936. 32 items.

Recordings of dramatic radio programs emphasizing the role of the Resettlement Administration in the introduction of scientific farming methods, financial assistance to farmers, and the adjustment of farm debts, and containing accounts of historical incidents that influenced the life of the farmer in the 1930's.

A dramatization of the sinking of the Lusitania and commentary on attempts to salvage her treasures.

A discussion of the extortion racket in the United States.

Records of the Farm Credit Administration. RG 103

ca. 1936. 2 items.

Recordings of 15-minute radio programs entitled "Homes of the Land."

Records of the Smithsonian Institution. RG 106

1912-41. 422 items.

Bureau of American Ethnology recordings of songs and linguistic material in Indian languages, including Aleut, Mission, Chumash, Creek, and Navajo, with some translations, 1912, 1914, and 1930-41.

Recordings of the radio series "The World Is Yours," "Education in the News," "Let Freedom Ring," "Wings for the Martins," and "Women in the Making of America" broadcast by the U.S. Office of Education, 1936-41.

Records of the Office of the Secretary of War. RG 107

1942-43. 37 items.

Recordings from the "Orientation Service" and "What Are We Fighting For?" series of speeches to the officers and men of the armed serivces by war correspondents concerning backgrounds of the war and German and U.S. war aims.

Recordings of broadcasts of "The Hour of the Victory Corps" and "The Victory Hour" series which were designed to enlist youth of high school age in the war effort.

Records of the American Battle Monuments Commission. RG 117

1937. 21 items.

Recordings of the dedication ceremonies of the Meuse-Argonne war memorial at Montfaucon, France, August 1, 1937.

Records of the National Youth Administration. RG 119

1938-39. 19 items.

Recordings of a discussion of NYA personnel on the Passamaquoddy Tidal Power Development. A radio drama about young persons who were helped by the NYA after they had been unable to find employment. A recording of the dedication of the NYA exhibit at the New York World's Fair on June 3, 1939.

Records of the United States Marine Corps. RG 127

1942-43. 5 items.

Recordings of Marine Corps recruiting broadcasts.

Records of the Bureau of Prisons. RG 129

1939. 2 items.

Recordings of programs released to radio by the National Parole Conference, April 17-18, 1939.

Records of the White House Office. RG 130

1950-53, 1959. 164 items.

Recordings of radio speeches by President Harry S. Truman concerning domestic and foreign affairs, remarks at ceremonies and dedications, greetings to foreign dignitaries visiting America, and many campaign speeches, 1950-52. Greetings exchanged by President Dwight D. Eisenhower and Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker of Canada on the occasion of the opening of the Prince Albert Radar Laboratory, June 5, 1959.

Records of the Office of Alien Property. RG 131

ca. 1930-41. 105 items.

Recordings from the records of the German-American Bund of German nationalist songs, symphonies, operatic selections, speeches by Nazi leaders including Adolph Hitler, and similar material used at entertainments and rallies. Recordings of Bund rallies in Madison Square Garden and the Hippodrome, New York City.

Records of Headquarters Army Service Forces. RG 160

1943-44. 131 items.

Recordings in foreign languages made for training purposes by the Army Special Training Division under the Director of Military Training.

General Records of the Federal Works Agency. RG 162

1941. 2 items.

Recordings of two radio broadcasts of speeches by John M. Carmody relating to defense housing, 1941.

Records of the War Department General and Special Staffs. RG 165

1942-51. 1,171 items.

Miscellaneous recordings collected by the Radio Branch of the Bureau of Public Relations of the War Department, 1942-49, relating to combat at Salerno, Anzio, and several other European fronts; concerning the war in the Pacific including Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright's surrender of Manila to the Japanese, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's arrival in Melbourne from the Philippine Islands, campaigns, air-sea rescue activities, the death of Ernie Pyle, and the Japanese surrender in the Philippines.

Recordings of press conferences of Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger concerning the occupation of Japan and of Gen. Lucius D. Clay relating to the Allied occupation of Germany.

Recordings of addresses, press conferences, and interviews of Secretary of Defense Louis A. Johnson about the Armed Forces Unification Act, defense policy, and economy in defense. Recordings of addresses of the heads of the various women's services to Girls' Nation about careers for women in defense. Recordings from the Office of the Chief of Staff of testimony by Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson and others before the Select Committee on Post War Military Policy, 1945.

A recording of the farewell ceremonies of General MacArthur at Haneda Airport, 1951, made by the Radio-TV Branch, GHQ, Tokyo.

Many recordings in German, Japanese, and Chinese that were used by the Axis in their psychological warfare efforts during World War II.

Records of the Office of Civilian Defense. RG 171

1939-45. 200 items.

Recordings of radio broadcasts of speeches, discussions, and dramas promoting participation in and explaining all phases of the operation of the Civilian Defense program, including broadcasts by the Office of Civilian Defense, the Office of War Information, the National Safety Council, the Commerce and Industry Association of New York, the Young Men's Christian Association, the U.S. Army, "The Burns and Allen Show," and "The Vic and Sade Show."

A series of recordings about many aspects of civil defense in England.

Records of the Federal Communications Commission. RG 173

1934-45. 305 items.

Recordings of cases heard and decided by the Commission upon petitions and complaints of interested persons or upon the motion of the Commission itself, involving chiefly telephone, telegraph, cable, and radio broadcasting companies and dealing with such matters as rates, facilities, quality of service, corporate organizations, assignment of radio frequencies, and transfers of ownership.

General Records of the Department of Labor. RG 174

1941, 1955-69. 153 items.

A recording of President Harry S. Truman's address to the President's Conference on Industrial Safety, 1941. Recordings made by or about the Department, 1955-69, and including press conferences, ceremonies, addresses, and interviews, mostly of Secretaries of Labor James P. Mitchell, Arthur Goldberg, and Willard Wirtz, relating to policies, programs, and functions of the Department of Labor in particular and Government labor relationships in general.

Records of the United States Maritime Commission. RG 178

1941-45. 127 items.

Recordings of radio broadcasts concerning the work of the Commission and the importance of the merchant marine in the war effort and consisting of dramatizations, speeches, interviews, panel discussions, news commentaries, and award presentations featuring Commission members, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Carl Sandburg, Edward R. Murrow, and many other important persons. Included are broadcasts of "Information Please," "It's Maritime," "For This We Fight," "Heroes of the Merchant Marine," "Men at Sea," "Fibber McGee and Molly," "Sing Along," and "Deeds Without Words."

Dramatizations of the history of the merchant marine including the arrival of the Franklin at Nagasaki, 1799, the voyage of the Margaret from Salem to Nagasaki in 1801, the beginning of U.S. and Canadian shipping on the Great Lakes, and the life of whaler and writer Herman Melville.

Records of the War Production Board. RG 179

1942-45. 120 items.

Recordings of radio broadcasts concerning the importance of increased war production, the conservation of essential materials, and the betterment of labor-management relations and consisting of dramatizations, speeches, interviews, and entertainment featuring prominent persons including Eleanor Roosevelt, Donald M. Nelson, Joseph C. Grew, Frank Knox, Leon Henderson, and a number of actors and actresses. Included are broadcasts of "Men, Machines and Victory," "You Can't Do Business With Hitler," and "Fibber McGee and Molly."

Recordings used in training mail and messenger service personnel, secretaries, and switchboard operators.

Records of the Office of Price Administration. RG 188

1941-46. 202 items.

Recordings of radio broadcasts concerning the importance and necessity of price controls, rationing, and enforcement of the regulations and consisting of news commentaries, dramatizations, panel discussions, speeches, and interviews featuring prominent persons including Chester Bowles, Robert S. Kerr, Donald M. Nelson, Leon Henderson, Harold L. Ickes, Harry S. Truman, Robert A. Taft, Paul Porter, and Fiorello La Guardia. Included are

the signing of the German and Japanese surrender documents. Recordings of the 1960 Democratic and Republican national conventions.

Recordings relating to National Defense Day, 1924; the sesquicentennial celebration of the Constitution, 1936; the centennial celebration of the American patent system, 1936; the laying of the cornerstone of the Roosevelt Library, 1939; and the Inter-Asia Relations Conference at New Delhi, India, 1947.

Recordings of news coverage of the Hindenburg disaster, 1937.

Other recordings. Miscellaneous recordings of British refugee children in the United States broadcasting Christmas greetings in 1941 to their parents in England, the sounds of an atomic test at Yucca Flats, Nevada, 1953, of hearings of the Special Senate Committee on the Communication Satellite Bill, 1962, relating to activities of the National Tuberculosis Association, 1939-44, and promoting the Junior League baseball program of the American Legion, 1946. Recordings of dramas including eight Shakespearean plays and a biography of Matthew Fontaine Maury. Recordings of a concert presented by the American Society of Composers and Publishers, September 24, 1940; and of an opera about the life of Mary Todd Lincoln entitled "Wing of Expectation" by Kenneth Wright. Items from a series of talking books prepared by the American Foundation for the Blind. A recording of a broadcast concerning the history of political conventions. Edward R. Murrow's "I Can Hear It Now" series.

General Records of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. RG 207

1966-68. 11 items.

Radio spot announcements pertaining to Departmental programs and speeches by the Secretary, Robert C. Weaver.

Records of the Office of War Information. RG 208

1941-46. 1,115 items.

Recordings of informational, news, and propaganda broadcasts released at home and beamed abroad, covering all aspects of the war effort on the homefront; the Allies and the Axis powers; domestic news; and news of the progress of the war and the defeat of Italy, Germany, and Japan. Recordings of speeches of Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry S. Truman, Winston Churchill, and many other prominent persons; visits of world leaders to the United States; and international conferences including Casablanca, 1942, Dumbarton Oaks, 1944, Yalta, 1945, the U.N. Conference on International Organization and the Charter signing ceremonies, 1945, and the opening session of the U.N. General Assembly and the Security Council, 1946. Recordings pertaining to the functions of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development; the Internal Monetary Fund; the the World Health Organization; and the U.N. Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. Miscellaneous recordings relating to the lend-lease program, U.S. aid to small nations, reciprocal trade agreements, International Red Cross Activities, the death of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, of atom bomb tests, and of the music of many lands. Included in the overseas broadcasts are series entitled "Uncle Sam Speaks," "Voice of Freedom,"

"You Can't Do Business With Hitler," and "We Fight Back"; and a series broadcast to the Japanese by Captain Ellis M. Zacharias. Domestic broadcasts include series known as "This Is Our Enemy," "Soldiers of Production," "Three-Thirds of a Nation," "Neighborhood Call," "Hasten the Day," and "Victory Front"; and a number from commercial daytime serials.

Records of the War Relocation Authority. RG 210

1944-45. 28 items.

Recordings of radio broadcasts concerning the activities of the WRA, the record of Nisei soldiers, and speeches by Dillon S. Meyer, Director of the Authority.

Records of the Office of Community War Services. RG 215

1943. 1 item.

A recording made to accompany the film "Prostitution and the War."

Records of the Office of Censorship. RG 216

ca. 1942. 2 items.

Recordings of training lectures relating to censorship of international telecommunications, telephone, registered mail, POW mail, travelers mail, and press and radio.

Records of the Committee on Fair Employment Practice. RG 228

1946. 4 items.

A dramatization of the work of the committee, 1941-46.

Records of the Office of Inter-American Affairs. RG 229

1941-45. 24 items.

Recordings in Spanish and French of informational and propaganda broadcasts to Latin America about life in the United States, American ideology, American institutions, and the American war effort and peace aims. Included are recordings in the series "United Nations Speak" and "Americanos Todos."

General Records of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. RG 235

1942, 1947. 8 items.

Recordings of broadcasts of speeches by Paul V. McNutt, ca. 1942; and of a series concerning the training and rehabilitation of the handicapped, 1947.

National Archives Collection of World War II War Crimes Records. RG 238

1945-46. 2,056 items.

Recordings of the proceedings of the sessions of the International Military Tribunal held in Nuremberg, Germany, from November 20, 1945, to October 1, 1946, including the testimony of the Nazi defendants, and the testimony of witnesses on German aggression, concentration camps, forced labor, the Gestapo, pillage of art treasures, and other injustices and atrocities committed by the Germans.

National Archives Collection of Foreign Records Seized, 1941- . RG 242

1925-44. 1,551 items.

Recordings collected by the war crimes investigators but not used in evidence at the trials and those captured by Allied forces during and after the war of speeches by Nazi officials including Adolph Hitler, Joseph Goebbels, Hermann Goering, and Albert Speer, 1939-44; propaganda material recorded by the Fascists in Italy; speeches of Benito Mussolini, Count Galeazzo Ciano, and other Fascist leaders; and speeches by Italian dignitaries including Pope Pius XI.

Records of the United States Strategic Bombing Survey. RG 243

1945. 366 items.

Recordings of interviews with Japanese civilians concerning the effects of American bombing on several Japanese cities, and an eyewitness account of the bombing of Hiroshima.

Records of the Office of the Housing Expediter. RG 252

1950-52. 73 items.

Recordings of broadcasts of speeches, interviews, and panel discussions by Housing Expediter Tighe Woods and other housing officials, Congressmen, and others concerning rent control. Recordings of public hearings on rent control.

Records of the Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service. RG 262

1940-47. 36,000 items.

Recordings* of foreign broadcasts, many in English and others in German, Japanese, and other languages, that were monitored by the Service and consist of broadcasts by Ezra Pound from Italy, October 2, 1941, through July 24, 1943; speeches by Adolph Hitler, Paul Joseph Goebbels, Joachim von Ribbentrop, Benito Mussolini, Marshal Henri Petain, Pierre Laval, Hideki Tojo, and others; broadcasts over German radio by U.S. citizens including Frederick W. Kaltenbach, Douglas Chandler, Edward Delaney, Mildred E. Gillars ("Axis Sally"), and others; and broadcasts originating from Japan or Japanese-held territory of news reports and commentary, including that of Iva Toguri D'Aquino ("Tokyo Rose").

Recordings of speeches by Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt, and Harry S. Truman, King George VI of Great Britain, and other Allied leaders, 1940-47.

Records of the Commissions on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government. RG 264

1949. 3 items.

Recordings of interviews with Herbert Hoover by Lyman Bryson, Columbia Broadcasting System's Counsellor on Public Affairs, concerning the plans for reorganization of the Executive Branch of the Government.

*Most of these are located in the Archives Branch of the Washington National Records Center.

Records of the Supreme Court of the United States. RG 267

1955-70. 836 items.

Tape recordings of oral arguments before the Supreme Court during the 1955-70 terms. The tapes are transferred to the Archives annually, but reproductions may not be furnished until 3 years after the date of argument.

National Archives Collection of Records of Inaugural Committees. RG 274

1949, 1961. 10 items.

Recordings of committee meetings and press conferences and of interviews with committee members relating to plans for the inaugurals of Presidents Harry S. Truman and John F. Kennedy.

Records of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. RG 280

1959. 1 item.

A recording of several talks to be used with slides in connection with the mediation work of the Service.

Records of the Office of Price Stabilization. RG 295

1950-53. 46 items.

Recordings of radio broadcasts containing consumer information, consisting of talks, interviews, dramas, spot announcements, and music featuring Tighe Woods, Eric Johnston, Michael V. DiSalle, Roger Putnam, and several prominent entertainers.

General Records of the Economic Stabilization Agency. RG 296

1951-53. 39 items.

Recordings of a speech by Michael V. DiSalle, 1951, of a Reconstruction Finance Corporation conference, 1952, and of administrative hearings concerning personnel matters of the Agency, 1953.

Records of the United States Information Agency. RG 306

1950-65. 387 items.

Recordings made by or for the Voice of America for overseas release and consisting of dramatizations, reports, speeches, and interviews designed to promote better understanding of the United States. They are concerned with rural America, labor, farming, education, scientific developments, economics, the role of women in the United States, travel, immigrants in America, conservation, politics, food inspection, public health, charitable and service organizations, literature, foreign students in the United States, the communications media, world food production, world health, the establishment of the Constitution and the concept of individual freedom, the sesquicentennial of the birth of President Abraham Lincoln, and the Korean action. Included are programs from these series: "Washington Interview," "The Puerto Rican Story," "The Jeffersonian Heritage," "Document: Deep South," "Atoms for Power," "New World of Atomic Energy," "Indian Country," "The Great Lakes," and "New Horizons in Science."

Records of the Atomic Energy Commission. RG 326

1967. 1 item.

A recording entitled "Atomic Year 25," produced to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the achievement of a controlled nuclear chain reaction at the University of Chicago on December 2, 1942.

Records of the National Capital Planning Commission. RG 328

1953. 12 items.

Recordings of the proceedings of the Commission, January-April and May 22, 1953.

Records of the Office of the Secretary of Defense. RG 330

1949-61. 949 items.

Recordings of press conferences, briefings, speeches, and statements of Department of Defense and other Government officials, political and military leaders, and others relating to defense policy, foreign affairs, military aid, the Korean action, and other matters; and of radio and TV programs, 1949-60. Stenographic recordings of activities of the Secretaries in conference, Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Va., July 23-26, 1953.

Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Army. RG 335

1951. 2 items.

Recordings made for use at Army camps during Armed Forces Day.

Records of Headquarters United States Air Force. RG 341

1953. 5 items.

Recordings from the G-2 Intelligence File relating to the 1953 May Day celebration in Moscow and to unspecified "Security Information."

Records of the United States Air Force Commands, Activities, and Organizations. RG 342

1961. 14 items.

Recordings of two radio broadcast series, "Great Moments to Music" and "Our Date With History," covering various aspects of aerospace technology.

Records of the Adjutant General's Office, 1917- . RG 407

1941-45. 26 items.

Recordings of opening exercises at Army administration officer training schools at North Dakota Agricultural College and at Grinnell College Iowa, 1942. Recordings of accounts by Army and Air Force personnel of their combat experiences, 1941-45.

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